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FM AMEMBASSY PANAMA

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 8989

INFO USUN NEW YORK

DEPT OF DEFENSE

C O N F I D E N T I A L PANAMA 5974

EO 11652: GDS

TAGS: MARR,PN

SUBJ: PANAMA'S CONTRIBUTION TO UNEF

REF: PANAMA 5825

1. GENERAL TORRIJOS INFORMED MILGP COMMANDER NOV 3 THAT UN HAD ACCEPTED PANAMA'S OFFER OF CONTRIBUTION UNEF AND PANAMA WAS PUTTING TOGETHER A 392 MAN FORCE UNDER THE COMMAND OF LT. COL. ARMANDO CONTRERAS, WHO IS THE NATIONAL GUARD'S G-3. MAJOR PEDRO CEDENO, PRESENT COMMANDER OF THE GN POLICE ACADEMY, WILL BE THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER OF THE FORCE.

2. TORRIJOS INDICATED THAT THE TARGET DATE FOR GROUP'S DEPARTURE WILL BE ABOUT NOV 10. WE ARE ATTEMPTING TO CLARIFY DEPARTURE DATE.

3. PANAMA WILL HAVE DIFFICULTY IN GETTING FORCE READY BY NOV 10, ESPECIALLY AS SOME EQUIPMENT AND CLOTHING NEEDED APPARENTLY IS NOT AVAILABLE IN CANAL ZONE. WE ARE ATTEMPTING CLARIFY WHETHER REQUEST FOR U S AIRLIFT WILL BE MADE.

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4. ISRAELI AMBASSADOR TOLD AMBASSADOR THAT MAIN REASON TORRIJOS

DESIRES TO PARTICIPATE IN UN FORCE IS TO DEMONSTRATE TO WORLD  
IN GENERAL AND U S IN PARTICULAR THAT PANAMA IS CAPABLE OF  
DEFENDING PANAMA CANAL. ISRAELI AMBASSADOR BASED THIS COMMENT  
ON HIS DISCUSSIONS WITH FOREIGN MINISTER TACK AND GN GENERAL  
STAFF.  
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